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PATENT APPLICATION

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: / )  
HIDEO KATO ) : Examiner: T Dicus  
Application No.: 09/910,928 / ) : Group Art Unit: 1775  
Filed: July 24, 2001 / ) :  
For: OPTICAL, ADDITIONAL / )  
FILMS AND OPTICAL :  
ELEMENTS ) : August 15, 2002

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated May 23, 2002, please amend the  
above-identified application as follows and consider the following remarks.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 6-9 without prejudice or disclaimer.

Kindly add new claims 16-23 as follows:

16. (New) An optical element having a film on its surface, said film  
comprising at least one layer of silica containing fluorine.

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